

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

ROBIN THOMPSON,

Defendant.

Case No. 15-CR-30146-SPM

**MEMORANDUM AND ORDER**

**McGLYNN, District Judge:**

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant Robin Thompson’s *pro se* Motion for Sentence Reduction pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c) and the United States Sentencing Guidelines Manual § 1B1.10 [hereinafter Sentencing Guidelines], making Amendment 821 retroactive (Docs. 121, 124<sup>1</sup>).

On February 14, 2024, Assistant Federal Public Defender Daniel G. Cronin was appointed to represent Defendant Thompson pursuant to Administrative Order 362. (*See* Doc. 123). On February 26, 2024, Attorney Cronin filed a Motion to Withdraw as Attorney because he could “discern no non-frivolous basis for seeking a reduction in Ms. Thompson’s term of imprisonment.” (*See* Doc. 124, p. 2). The United States Probation Office completed a worksheet on Defendant Thompson indicating that she does not qualify for a sentence reduction pursuant to Amendment 821. (*See*

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<sup>1</sup> Although styled as two separate motions, as Defendant Thompson’s first motion is a letter and the second is a worksheet, the Court construes them together in the aim of liberally construing *pro se* filings. *See Erickson v. Pardus*, 551 U.S. 89, 94 (2007) (“A document filed *pro se* is ‘to be liberally construed,’ and ‘a *pro se* complaint, however inartfully pleaded, must be held to less stringent standards than formal pleadings drafted by lawyers.”) quoting *Estelle v. Gamble*, 429 U.S. 97, 106 (1976)); *see also Buechel v. United States*, 746 F.3d 753, 758 (7th Cir. 2014).

Doc. 124, pp. 1–2 (citing Sentencing Guidelines § 4C1.1(a)(5))). Although Defendant Thompson was assessed to have zero criminal history points, her conviction for Conspiracy to Commit Sex Trafficking of a Child and by Force, Fraud, or Coercion in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1594 renders her categorically ineligible for an Amendment 821 sentence reduction. (*See id.*, p. 2).

Accordingly, Defendant Thompson’s *pro se* Motion for Sentence Reduction pursuant to Amendment 821 (Docs. 121, 126) is **DENIED**. Attorney Cronin’s Motion to Withdraw as Attorney (Doc. 124) is **GRANTED**.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**DATED: April 1, 2024**

***s/ Stephen P. McGlynn***  
**STEPHEN P. McGLYNN**  
**U.S. District Judge**